

TERRITORY OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGAÑA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2001-18

RELATIVE TO TRANSFERRING THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM RECOVERY COORDINATION OFFICE (PAKA OFFICE) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Government of Guam Recovery Coordination Office (RCO) was established by Executive Order No. 97-52 to coordinate the application of the government for the Public Assistance Program (PAP) administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, the RCO has subsequently been designated as lead agency to coordinate the application for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) also administered by FEMA; and

WHEREAS, the majority of FEMA funded PAP and HMGP grants have been completed or are in the "close-out" process; and

WHEREAS, the technical staff of the RCO have obtained the required technical training to administer and facilitate FEMA disaster related grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Administration is responsible for maintaining the financial records of the government of Guam including transactions relative to expenses funded by both the FEMA Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs; and

WHEREAS, the RCO staff is engaged in ensuring compliance for all FEMA grants throughout the government and is in the process of preparing all files and documents for routine review by FEMA officials; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Administration is the proper agency for the location of personnel and files for the administration of the RCO, which includes all documents relative to the obligation and expense of FEMA disaster funding designated for the government of Guam and eligible non-profit organizations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ, I Maga Lahen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do order:

- 1. **Transfer of RCO personnel to DOA.** All personnel assigned to the Government of Guam Recovery Coordination Office (RCO) as of April 23, 2001 are transferred to the Department of Administration.
- 2. **Management of RCO.** The Director of the Department of Administration or designee is principally responsible for the management of the RCO as a subdivision of the DOA. The RCO shall continue to operate separately

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from the other divisions of DOA until all matters concerning FEMA disaster and mitigation funds are resolved.

- 3. **Transfer of property of RCO to DOA.** All files, equipment and supplies, and property of the RCO as of April 23, 2001 are transferred to the Department of Administration.
- 4. **Effective date**. The transfers and provisions of this Executive Order are effective on the effective date of this Executive Order.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 5th day of June, 2001.

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ I Maga'Lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam